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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hideto KOHTANI, et al.) : Examiner: Unassigned
Appln. No.: Unassigned) : Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Divisional of Application)
No. 08/901,286)
Filed: Concurrently herewith)
For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS,)
A READER CONTROLLER, AND A)
METHOD FOR CONTROLLING) : November 23, 1999
THE READER CONTROLLER)

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The Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under
37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under
37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed
to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of
the listed documents are also enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the
following U.S. Application:

| <u>APPLICATION NO.</u> | <u>FILING DATE</u> | <u>GROUP ART UNIT</u> | <u>STATUS</u> |
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| 08/901,286 | 7/29/97 | 2722 | Issue Fee Paid |

The listed documents are of record in parent Application No. 08/901,286, and may be pertinent for the reasons discussed therein.

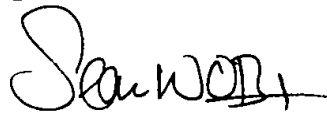
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), no copy of any cited U.S. Application is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above information and return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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